Jim Lesar
918 F St., NW, #509
Washington, DC 20004

5/10/94

Dear Jim,

I do not know if you will have any occasion to be at Hood again in the near future but if you will be there is something we have never discussed and is unrelated to that I'd like to go into with you. If we lunched together that would be enough time. If what I would be discussing comes to pass it could have considerable impact and significance.

Gary Aguilar has asked for access to the unpublished parts of Case Open and I've agreed to let anyone he would send and xerox what has been retyped and returned to me. That is being done slowly but with what I got yesterday it is just into Chapter XXVII, page 614, with 32 chapters plus an epilogue. I do not want to take time for this for those of whose work I do not have a high opinion and I do not want to get involved in the kinds of misuses of which I believe they are possible. But I am willing for serious purposes, so I let you know of the fact and the extent.

Do you know whether Case Open is on sale in DC? John Newman called yesterday. He could not find one in Annapolis. Hal Verb could not find one in SF. And a friend you do not know said he could not in the LA area. He lives in Sherman Oaks and works in Burbank.

However, I am hearing about it almost daily with some fine letters and calls. I do not say this to indicate any significant sale. I have no way of knowing whether there is.

I told you I'd written several long articles. I phoned The NY Review of Books and spoke to Robert Silver(s?). He said he would like to read it. (on Posner) I sent it and I've not heard from him since. He probably got it about Thursday. The other one, "Senator Russell Dissents," is almost entirely retyped neatly on a computer. It is complete except for an addition after the last I saw on LBJ's phone calls, with Clark, Russell, etc. Do you have copies of what has been disclosed of those calls? I'd like to read some, as would McKnight. I have the first six or seven days I loaned him and he has not yet returned. End of year heavier work. If there is more than I saw in the papers of his Russell and Clark conversations I'd like to read them, in particular, that is.

Any talk shows in Washington I can do by phone and needle Posner a bit? Do you know those who moderate them? The publisher has yet to arrange one.

And I've had no media inquiries. Not that I expected any.

I told you that somehone the channel on my office cordless speakerphone has been switched to 9. I just noticed that it has again been switched, back to 8. Mysteries? I have no idea how to do it. And didn't. Not does or did Bil.

When Jonathan is again able to do it I'd like him to please get me a print like the one he got me but of Studebaker Exhibit C, XXIH 645. He got me the similar Ex 718. Have you any such pictures that are clear, of the rifle as found?

Anything new and reasonable exciting? Best.

Harold